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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 16274.179

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop: AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Sir:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action mailed 24 August 2006 (the "Office Action"). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks:

*A Listing of the Claims* begins on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.